AT Orange, N. J., November 29, Miss M. E. Dickerson, Class of 1902, Orange Training-School, to Mr. T. Cadwallader, of Philadelphia.

AT Epworth Hospital Church, Norfolk, Va., December 17, Miss M. T. Edwards, graduate of St. Vincent's Hospital Training-School, Class of 1900, to Dr. J. J. Miller

OBITUARY

DIED, at Rhode Island Hospital, September 30, 1902, Miss Helena Sheehan. Miss Sheehan was a graduate of the Rhode Island Hospital Training-School, Class of 1897. We, her sister nurses, mourn her loss and feel that by her death we have a lost a sincere friend and the profession a highly esteemed member.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Rhode Island Hospital Nurses' Alumnæ Association:

"WHEREAS, God in His Infinite Wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved associate, Miss Helena Sheehan; be it therefore

"*Resolved,* That while we bow in submission to the Divine Will, it is with a sense of personal loss, shared by all her friends.

"*Resolved,* That her many sterling qualities endeared her to all who knew her.

"*Resolved,* That we tender to her family our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of bereavement.

"*Resolved,* That a copy of these resolutions be sent to her family, printed in the nursing journals, and recorded in the minutes of the association.

"MARY C. CHACE,
"MARY A. LOGAN,
"ISABEL G. FRASER,
"Committee."

WITH deep sorrow we announce the death of our sister nurse, Clara M. Praray, on December 5, 1902, after a long illness which was borne with great patience. Miss Praray graduated from the Rhode Island Hospital Training-School in 1896, and during her five-years' work as private nurse won the love and esteem of her patients.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Rhode Island Hospital Alumnæ Association, extend our heartfelt sympathy to her sister, other relatives, and friends.

Resolved, That a copy of the above be sent to her relatives, also published in THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING and the *Trained Nurse,* and recorded in the minutes of the society.

WILHELMINA W. SIEVERTS,
ETHEL T. MASON,
HARRIET LOUGHEAD,
Committee.

WHEREAS, It has pleased Almighty God in His wise providence to call our friend and associate, Miss Lotta Munro, unto Himself, be it

Resolved, (1) That we, the nurses of the Rhode Island Hospital Training-School, bow in deep submission to God's will.

(2) That we feel that through her sudden departure we have lost a true and faithful friend, and that our school has been deprived of one who through her zeal and love for and fidelity to the noble profession she had chosen gave every promise of reaching preëminence in that profession.

(3) That we realize only too painfully by her demise what a large place she filled in our hearts.

(4) That we shall ever hold her in loving remembrance, remembering her, not as one who was, but as one who is, one who is now living with God in the light of His countenance.

(5) That we shall ever strive to emulate all that was good and noble in her, especially her genial and kindly disposition, her fidelity to every trust reposed in her, and her strong and beautiful Christian character.

(6) That we extend our sincere sympathy to the members of the bereaved family and commit them for consolation to Him who has said, "I will not leave you comfortless."

(7) That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, to the nursing journals for publication, and be recorded in the minutes of the Nurses' Club.

E. WHITE,
F. POWERS,
M. TIVERCHI,
Committee.

SOCIAL SECRETARY IN PHTHISIS HOSPITAL.—A significant innovation was made recently by Commissioner Homer Folks, of New York City, in the management of the Phthisis Infirmary on Blackwell's Island by the appointment of a deputy superintendent of the Metropolitan Hospital, who will have, in addition to the ordinary duties of such a position, distinctly social functions in the men's department of the consumption hospital. The special duties of this officer in connection with the Phthisis Infirmary are twofold,—first, to collect statistics of social and economic interest from all men patients; and, second, to organize social life among them. It is believed that the introduction of games, reading-rooms, and similar interests will increase materially the value of the hospital, both by improving the mental attitude of the patients and by inducing them to stay on the island long enough to receive the maximum of good from the treatment provided.

Deputy Superintendent Christopher Easton, who entered upon the duties of this position the last of September, has already begun to collect statistics. In the interview which he has with each man as he enters the institution, he not only asks questions in the interest of his record, but also tries to establish a personal relation with the patient. The newcomer is told what are the real objects of the institution in regard to him and what is expected of him in his life there; some instruction is given in the simpler principles of hygiene, and a start is made in bringing home to him the fact that this improvement and care rests largely with himself.

There has not yet been time for much progress in the development of social activities, but a gratifying change has already been observed in the attitude of the men towards the institution, and there is every reason to hope that the expectations of the Commissioner of Public Charities in creating the new office will be realized.—*Charities.*